

**To:** Crimmins, Allison[Crimmins.Allison@epa.gov]  
**From:** Birnbaum, Rona  
**Sent:** Fri 7/7/2017 3:06:09 PM  
**Subject:** RE: An invitation to be part of the Riley Institute's National Conference on Climate Change/Global Warming/Sea Level Rise

As we discussed yesterday, this seems fine. You may need to find out more about what kind of panel you'll be on and you'll need to be clear regarding what you'll speak about...the Health Assessment. Since it's a public speaking role, we'll need to run this through the List as well.

**From:** Crimmins, Allison  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 21, 2017 11:14 AM  
**To:** Birnbaum, Rona <Birnbaum.Rona@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: An invitation to be part of the Riley Institute's National Conference on Climate Change/Global Warming/Sea Level Rise

Hi, I'd like to do this. Can we talk logistics when you get back?

-Allison

**From:** Don Gordon [<mailto:don.gordon@furman.edu>]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 19, 2017 11:55 AM  
**To:** Crimmins, Allison <Crimmins.Allison@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** An invitation to be part of the Riley Institute's National Conference on Climate Change/Global Warming/Sea Level Rise

Dear Ms. Crimmins,

I am writing to invite you to come to Furman University this November to participate in a two-day conference on climate change. This symposium is presented by Furman's Richard W. Riley Institute, Shi Center for Sustainability, and Institute for the Advancement of Community Health.

Charles Bolden, former head of NASA, will give the opening keynote on Wednesday, November 8. He'll set the stage by giving us "a view from space" illuminating with NASA images the global evidence of climate change. Following his talk, we will bring the discussion down to what is the impact of this change. In looking at what's at stake in this crisis, we'll focus on the impact of rising waters on our coastal communities, the impact of heat, drought, and floods on our health, and the threat climate change presents to our national security. The second evening's program will focus on solutions.

As a climate scientist who was the lead author of the EPA's Impacts of Climate Change on Human Health in the United States: A Scientific Assessment, you would add tremendously to our discussion of why climate change matters. We want to bring out heavily the health impacts already resulting from our changing climate. Would you be available to join us as part of the panel discussion on November 8 at Furman University in Greenville, S.C.?

We would be delighted to have you on our campus this fall. If your schedule allows, we invite you to spend a couple of days here, visiting classes and talking with students in smaller groups. Greenville is a surprisingly cosmopolitan city and a great place to visit. All of your travel and lodging will be provided by Furman University. I do hope you'll be able to come.

The Riley Institute is engaged around the state in diversity leadership, education policy and research, and creating and sharing knowledge around critical issues. To learn more about us, please visit <https://riley.furman.edu/>

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best regards,

Don Gordon

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